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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Harold C. Passer
Assistant Secretary for Economic
Affairs
Department of Commerce

SUBJECT : Comments on Soviet Military Spending

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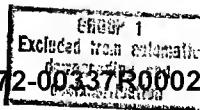
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Assistant Secretary for Science and
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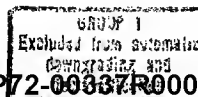
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT : Latest on Boretsky Piece for JEC

1. I talked today to Jim Knowles, Research Director of the Joint Economic Committee, concerning the piece Boretsky (Department of Commerce) had written on Soviet military goods procurement. This is scheduled for inclusion in the upcoming JEC Volume, Recent Trends in Soviet Economic Performance.

2. Knowles reported that he had decided to push the decision up to John Stark, Executive Director of the JEC Staff, and to Congressman Hale Boggs, Chairman of the JEC Subcommittee that sponsors the Recent Trends series. Knowles said he was concerned about possible political implications of the Boretsky piece and that he, therefore, was not in a position to decide it. Both Stark and Boggs are out of town until next week.

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